

REMARKS**Response to Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112**

Claims 28, 30 and 33 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The above amendment to claim 28 should obviate the rejection.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 7-10, and 12-16 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The applicants amendments to claim 1 which identifies the bilayer comprising a first layer of a first material and a second layer of a second material different from the first material should clarify the claims.

Response to Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that Claims 9 and 10 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. The allowance of claims 18, 19 and 21-26 is likewise appreciated.

Conclusions

The applicants believe that all of the pending claims are directed to patentable subject matter. Reconsideration and an early allowance are respectfully requested.

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